
Highway Maintenance

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION AND OBJECTIVES

Projects within the Department of Public Works and Transportation (DPWT) Highway Maintenance Section are in three categories: roadway resurfacing, sidewalk and infrastructure revitalization, and maintenance depot construction and renovation. These projects are integral to providing a safe roadway and pedestrian system and protecting the County's capital investment in these facilities. These projects provide for the timely renovation and upkeep of County roads, sidewalks, curbs, and gutters and support the Renew Montgomery and Main Street Montgomery initiatives. An important aspect of the projects is to focus on improving pedestrian walkability by creating a safer walking environment, utilizing selected engineering technologies, and ensuring ADA compliance.

Three projects will renovate and establish new facilities from which DPWT provides County Highway Maintenance operations. The Brookville Service Park serves the Silver Spring and Kensington/Wheaton areas; the Colesville Depot will serve Aspen Hill; and the North County Depot, when constructed, will serve the UpCounty.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Permanently patch and resurface residential and rural roads with hot mix asphalt.
- Rehabilitate residential roads in older communities.
- Replace 16 miles of sidewalk and 32 miles of curb and gutter in FY09.
- Rehabilitate M-NCPPC roads and associated bridges.

PROGRAM CONTACTS

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CAPITAL PROGRAM REVIEW

The Recommended FY09-14 Highway Maintenance Section program includes eight ongoing and one new project, totaling \$171.5 million. The recommended six-year expenditure total represents an increase of \$27.7 million, or 19.2 percent, over the FY07-12 Amended Program of \$143.8 million.

Main Street Montgomery

Main Street Montgomery is a campaign designed to provide systematic, full-service, and coordinated revitalization of main streets throughout the County. Main streets connect diverse origins and destinations that include commercial, retail, industrial, residential, worship, recreation, and community

facilities. Main streets serve a cross section of travelers including those who travel by car, mass transit, on foot, and by bicycle. Coordinated services can include various measures to improve main street safety, ease of use, and appearance. The Resurfacing: Primary/Arterial and the Sidewalk Infrastructure Revitalization projects both support the Main Street Montgomery campaign.

Renew Montgomery

The Renew Montgomery Program coordinates DPWT services to improve the infrastructure in older neighborhoods and business districts to assure effective, safe, and attractive vehicular and pedestrian access. This program empowers communities to define and prioritize their public works and transportation needs in coordination with the County. The Sidewalk Infrastructure Revitalization project supports this effort.

Environmental Quality

Significant stormwater management controls are included in the renovation design of a number of depots with a particular emphasis on the Colesville Depot, located in the Paint Branch Special Protection Area.